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Federal health advisory committee visits region

The Center for Rural Health will host members of the committee that advises the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on rural issues. The National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services has selected North Dakota for a site visit and will be visiting Grand Forks, Devils Lake and Cando Thursday-Saturday, Sept. 28-30.

During the meetings, which are open to the public, the committee will gather information on rural issues around substance abuse, Medicare Advantage and Headstart programs to include in their annual report to the Secretary.

"This is a unique opportunity for our providers in the health and human service fields," said Center for Rural Health Director Dr. Mary Wakefield, who served on the committee from 1999-2003. "This is a chance to share the opportunities and challenges of providing services to rural North Dakota. Through the committee's visit, our concerns can be brought directly back to federal administration."

The Center for Rural Health has invited several individuals to present to the committee during the visit including representatives of area providers: Early Explorers Head Start Program, Devils Lake; Mercy Hospital, Devils Lake; Center for Solutions, Cando; and Northeast Human Service Center, Grand Forks.

Mike Jacobs, editor and publisher, Grand Forks Herald, will present on the history of North Dakota, and Dr. Monica Mayer, Trinity Clinic, New Town will present on Native American Health Care

For a complete schedule of the committee's visit to North Dakota visit the Center for Rural Health Web site at: <http://www.med.und.nodak.edu/depts/rural/events/>

The National Advisory Committee on Rural Health and Human Services is a 21-member citizens' panel of nationally recognized rural health experts that provides recommendations on rural issues to the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services. It was chartered in 1987 to advise the Secretary of Health and Human Services on ways to address health care problems in rural America. For more information on the committee visit: <http://ruralcommittee.hrsa.gov/index.htm>

-- Amanda Scurry, public information specialist, UND SMHS, ascurry@medicine.nodak.edu, 701-777-0871

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EVENTS TO NOTE

Party with a Plan is Oct. 3

Come join Randy Haveson at the Betty Engelstad Sioux Center Tuesday, Oct. 3, at 7 p.m. to learn about an alcohol awareness program that makes sense. Most substance abuse education programs use scare tactics or a "just say no" approach. "Party Time!" does not. Haveson incorporates his professional background to create a program that opens the minds, changes the perspective, and impacts the lives of students in regard to their use

of alcohol and other drugs. He is well known for his teach, not preach, approach to this topic. Haveson, who uses a research-based approach for making informed decisions on alcohol use, is a two-time finalist for APCA Speaker of the Year. In 2001 he was named as one of the "Best of the Best" speakers in the 25-year history of the BACCHUS & GAMMA Peer Education Network and in 2002 was named as the Showcase Speaker of the Year.

-- Sandi Geddes, Substance Abuse Prevention Specialist, University Counseling Center and Student Wellness Center, Sandi_geddes@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701-777-4188

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UND Block Party is Oct. 4 in Wellness Center parking lot

Join the UND peer educators and various student organizations at the first annual UND Block Party at the new Student Wellness Center parking lot Wednesday, Oct. 4, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be free food and games, along with prizes. XL93 will play music and promote student organizations on the air. Domino's Pizza will provide free pizza. This is a great chance for UND student organizations to promote their organization, show off to visiting alumni, and recruit new members. Our hope is that it will be a UND-only involvement expo. All are invited. Contact us at 777-4165 with your questions or if your organization would like to participate. See you there.

-- UND Peer Educators, ADAPT Team, University Counseling Center and Student Wellness Center, adapt@mail.und.edu, 777-4165

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Former UND student body president to speak Oct. 4

Tom Wosepka, CFO of Douglas Machine Inc., will present "Leadership Through Participation," Wednesday, Oct. 4, at 3 p.m. in the Lecture Bowl, second floor, Memorial Union. Wosepka is an alumnus of UND and former student body president (1986-87). He will present his know-how of taking risks as a leader and the rewards gained from his endeavors, and touch on his view that leaders are not born; they are chosen by their peers. Through his experience at UND and the corporate world with companies like Honeywell and Schneider Logistics, his presentation will be full of vital leadership skills everyone can attain through participation. The presentation is part of the Leadership Series sponsored by the Memorial Union. Faculty, please announce this event to students. This presentation is free and open to the entire University community.

Put the next Leadership Series event on your calendar. Gordon Henry will present "The Art of Caring Leadership" October 11 at 3 p.m. in the River Valley Room, second floor, Memorial Union.

For more information, call 777-3665 or 777-3667 or e-mail leadership@und.nodak.edu

-- Josh Wosepka, Project Coordinator of Leadership Development, Memorial Union, leadershp@und.edu, 7-3665/4200

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Art exhibition of Brusegaard's work opens Oct. 7

As part of Homecoming festivities, Third Street Gallery, 28 S. Third St., invites everyone to a free public exhibition opening reception Saturday, Oct. 7, from 8 to 10 p.m. for artist and UND alum Michelle Brusegaard. The exhibition will be open from Oct 7–28.

Michelle Brusegaard graduated with a fine arts degree from UND in 2005. Originally from Grand Forks, Brusegaard recently moved to Minneapolis where she continues to create and exhibit her art. She has shown, exhibited, and sold, work all across the Red River Valley. Her Batik and painted silk scarves have been sold at the North Dakota Museum of Art Gift Shop and for the past several years at Artfest. Her paintings have been included in the North Dakota Museum of Art silent auction and the Hotel Donaldson in Fargo.

"Homebody" is an exhibition in which the artist delves into the concept of obsession and perception. Brusegaard

states that "This series of works contemplates the effect of mania on one's perception of beauty. The pieces represent interiors and exteriors, and the space between, where my fixation lies." The title for the exhibition comes out of her figurative work where "as a result of these obsessions, the figurative paintings are homebodies. The figures in their habitat can check locked doors all day if they choose. Trapped in domestic bliss and yet in complete control of a tiny universe." She employs the use of realism in the figures and interiors, but chooses to abstract the exteriors, such as cityscapes and landscapes, showing them as a representation of the world outside of oneself. Brusegaard would like the viewers to use her work as an opportunity to contemplate their own obsessions and the effect it may have on their perceptions.

The exhibition is curated by Rebecca Sefcovic Uglem and Amy Lyste, Directors of the Third Street Gallery. Those wishing group tours, including schools, should contact the Third Street Gallery at (701)775-5055. There is no admission charge but a \$2 donation is suggested for adults and change from children.

Third Street Gallery is a non-profit arts organization created by artists for artists to provide exhibits and opportunities for regional and local artists and to revitalize the Greater Grand Forks community through the arts. The gallery will provide a space for local artists to exhibit, in addition to providing the citizens of this community the opportunity to view and purchase original art from emerging artists across the Upper Midwest. For more information call (701)775-5055 or contact www.thethirdstreetgallery.com.

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Salaheddin Al-Bashir from Jordan will give Fode Lecture

Salaheddin Al-Bashir from the Kingdom of Jordan will present the Oscar and Amelia Fode Memorial Law Lecture at the School of Law, Friday, Oct. 6, at 2:30 p.m. in the Baker Court Room. It is free and open to the public. His presentation is titled "Reform, Development and Rule of Law." A reception will follow the keynote address.

Al-Bashir is the former Minister of Justice and Minister of Cabinet Affairs of the Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan. He is the founder and managing partner of the International Business Legal Associates, which is one of the largest and leading law firms in Jordan, with an integral presence in the Kingdom's dynamic legal developments and commercial expansion. Al-Bashir holds a bachelor's degree in law from Jordan University, an LL.M from Harvard University and a doctorate from McGill University.

This is the 25th anniversary of the Fode lecture. It was created by family members in loving memory of Oscar and Amelia Fode because of their lifelong interest in education and in the young people of North Dakota. The Fodes were prominent in business in Jamestown, N.D. They began an automobile business known as Midwest Motors in Jamestown in 1929, subsequently establishing Midwest Credit Co., Midwest Machine Co., Midwest Insurance Co., and Dakota Sales and Service, which Oscar continued to operate until his death in 1971. Amelia passed away in 1961.

-- Rob Carolin, Director of Alumni and Public Relations, Law School, carolin@law.und.edu, 7-2856

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Molbert Room to be dedicated Oct. 6

The Molbert Room, 211 Law School, will be dedicated in honor of Ralph Molbert, a 1941 graduate of the School of Law, Friday, Oct. 6, as part of Homecoming. A short program will begin at 11:30 a.m. and a reception will follow. The room was renovated in memory of Ralph Molbert, with a generous gift from his wife Beverly (Steele, N.D.); son Lauris, '79, '83, and daughter-in-law Jane Grove (Fargo); daughter Karna (Molbert) Kornkven, '81, and son-in-law Richard Kornkven, '74 (Bottineau, N.D.); son Eric Molbert, '89 (Bismarck); and daughter Kristi (Molbert) Benz and son-in-law Miles Benz (Steele, N.D.). The Molbert Room is equipped with hi-tech instructional technology, provides a more conducive learning environment for its students, and is a dramatic improvement of the law school facility. The public is invited to celebrate the room renovation and dedication.

-- Rob Carolin, Director of Alumni and Public Relations, Law School, carolin@law.und.edu, 7-2856

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Women's Center hosts Meet, Eat and Learn Oct. 4

The Women's Center will host a Meet, Eat and Learn , Wednesday, Oct. 4, from noon to 1 p.m. at the International Centre, 2908 University Ave. "From New York to North Dakota...A Young Feminist's Journey" will be presented by Kristin Sheffield, a counseling graduate student. She will talk about being a feminist activist and what role geography plays in that. -- Patty McIntyre, Program Associate, Women's Center.

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Sioux, Leadership Award winners named

The UND Alumni Association announces the recipients of its highest awards for outstanding service, achievement and loyalty. The Sioux Award Banquet will be held Thursday, Oct. 5, at the Alerus Center. The social begins at 5:30 p.m., with the program beginning at 6:30 p.m. For ticket information contact Barb at 777-4078 or go to www.undalumni.net.

The Sioux Award:

* Karen Bohn, '75, '76, is president of Galeo Group, L.L.C., a management consulting practice, which specializes in governance, philanthropy, strategy, and effective management. In addition to her consulting practice, Bohn serves on the boards of directors of Alerus Financial Corporation and OtterTail Corporation, to name a few. She was also on the UND Alumni Association and Foundation board of directors for nine years. She and her husband, Gary Surdel, '75, live in Edina, Minn. They have two sons, Peter and Matthew.

* B. John Barry, '63, is owner of MidAmerica Capital Partners, L.L.C. The company provides services for Barry family interests, as well as family members. He started his own banking organization in 1974, and has owned a number of diversified financial service companies, as well as a chemical manufacturing company and an airline. He has three children, Thomas, Michael and Jessica.

* Hal Gershman, '66, is president and owner of Happy Harry's Bottle Shops in Grand Forks and Fargo. He is also president of Road King Inn, Gershman Enterprises and Winebuys.com. He is Grand Forks City Council president, chairman of U.S. Senator Byron Dorgan's re-election campaigns since 1984, and serves on the board of directors for Alerus Financial Corporation and the Energy and Environmental Research Center. He and his wife, Kathy, live in Grand Forks. They have one daughter, Lenora.

Young Alumni Achievement Award:

* Milissa McKee, '92, is an assistant professor of pediatrics and surgery at Yale University School of Medicine. She is an attending surgeon and director of pediatric trauma services at Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital, director of pediatric minimally invasive surgery, and surgical co-director of the pediatric intensive care unit at the hospital. She lives in Branford, Conn.

* Jennifer Montgomery, '92, '94, '00, has completed her first year of doctoral studies at the Harvard Graduate School of Education, where she is focusing on issues of school reform and professional development. She was previously an English and journalism teacher at Bismarck High School, and was the North Dakota Teacher of the Year in 2003. She resides in Cambridge, Mass.

* Jeff Gendreau, '90, has worked with Deloitte and Touche in Minneapolis for the last 15 years, and is currently an audit director with the firm. Jeff enjoys recruiting at UND and is a featured speaker for Deloitte at various industry conferences. He and his wife, Cathy (LaLonde), '89, reside in Andover, Minn. They have two children, Rachel and John.

-- Alumni Association.

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Homecoming pre-game party is Oct. 7

The Homecoming Pre-Game Party is Saturday, Oct. 7, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., Alerus Center Ballroom. Everyone is welcome. --- Alumni Association.

Mellem Telecommunications Symposium set for Oct. 4, 5

In an age when information, technology and communication are key components in how business and government operate, the College of Business and Public Administration announces the first annual Mellem Telecommunications Symposium Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 4-5. Free and open to the public, this symposium provides an opportunity for the public and University community to engage in discussion about the telecommunication industry and its impact on how we work within business and government, now and in the future.

The symposium kicks off Wednesday evening, Oct. 4, at 7 p.m. in the Ina Mae Rude Entrepreneur Center. United States Federal Communications Commissioner Michael Copps and Qwest Communication's Senior Vice President for Government Affairs Steve Davis will speak on issues related to public policy and regulations impacting telecommunications and U.S. commerce in the next decade. The event will be followed by a dessert reception.

The symposium continues Thursday, Oct. 5, with keynote addresses and breakout sessions in Gamble Hall, 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Keynote speakers throughout Thursday include: former Gov. Ed Schafer; Ericsson Mobile, Inc. senior executive, Rowland Shaw; Chief Technology Officer of Telcordia Industries, Adam Drobot; and University of California-San Diego Business Dean, Robert Sullivan. Breakout session topics are designed to stimulate discussion among students, alumni, and the greater university and business community in technology, business, government, and telecommunications. Topics range from strategic management and entrepreneurship in telecommunications to investing in telecommunication companies to using telecommunication as a method of economic development in rural communities.

For more information and a full descriptive schedule of events, visit <http://business.und.edu/dept/dean/mellemtelecommevent.pdf> or contact CK Braun-Schultz at 701-777-6937. The events are sponsored by the College of Business and Public Administration, UND Foundation, Qwest Communications, Midcontinent Communications, and Polar Communications.

U community invited to Beyond Boundaries conference

UND is sponsoring the fifth annual Beyond Boundaries Conference: Integrating Technology into Teaching and Learning, Sept. 28 and 29, at the Memorial Union. This year's conference has drawn colleagues from a wider geographic area to include presenters from as far as Purdue University, Louisiana Tech University, Old Dominion University, University of Manitoba, Auburn University, Wisconsin Indianhead Technical College, Illinois State University and others within North Dakota, South Dakota and Minnesota. There are many excellent sessions on the program.

Please check out the website at www.beyondboundaries.info for a full schedule of events or call Conference Services for a program.

If you can participate in both days, you can still register at the "early bird" rate of just \$100 for faculty/staff or \$50 for students (includes admittance to all sessions, meal functions, reception and materials). You may print a registration form that can be mailed (Stop 7131) or faxed to 777-0569. Please include a completed journal entry form from your department. You may also call Conference Services at 777-2663 to register.

If you cannot attend full days, we would like to invite UND faculty, staff and students to attend the two keynote speaker sessions ONLY, free of charge:

Thursday, Sept. 28 - Marc Prensky, founder of games2train and internationally acclaimed speaker, will present "Engage Me or Enrage Me: Educating Today's 'Digital Native' Learners" from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Lecture Bowl of the Memorial Union.

Friday, Sept. 29 – Rena Palloff and Keith Pratt, international consultants of Crossroads Consulting Group, will present "Online Learning Communities Revisited," also from 9 to 10 a.m. in the Lecture Bowl of the Memorial Union. The vendor showcase will also be open after this session, so you may walk through the showcase from 10 to 10:15 a.m.

You MUST call Conference Services at the Division of Continuing Education, 777-2663, to register for the free keynote sessions (please provide name, department, stop number, and phone number). Space is limited, so please be sure to notify Conference Services of your plans to attend.

-- Robyn von Ruden, Coordinator, UND Office of Conference Services, robynvonruden@mail.und.edu, 701-777-2663

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Taco and Garage Sale set for Sept. 30

The American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES), a national, nonprofit organization which nurtures building of community by bridging science and technology with traditional Native values, is sponsoring a fundraising event, a taco and garage sale, 808 Stanford Rd. Saturday, Sept. 30, from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Special Note: AISES has received the 2005 Stelvio J. Zanin Distinguished Chapter of the Year Award. Profits from this event goes toward funding our trip to the National AISES Conference this year in Detroit. For more information please visit our website: <http://www.und.edu/org/undaíses/>

Donated items are greatly appreciated. Please contact Jenna Parisien at 701-477-4156.
-- Jenna Parisien, AISES President, Student Organization, jenna_parisien@und.nodak.edu, 701-477-4156

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Persian Night is Sept. 28 at International Center

All are cordially invited for Persian Night at the International Centre, Thursday, Sept. 28, at 7 p.m. Persian foods will be served.

-- Mojtaba, Research Fellow, Chemical Engineering, ameli@und.edu, 701 777 4456

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Tibetan Monks will present lectures Oct. 2-5

The Multicultural Awareness Committee invites you to attend lectures by the Tibetan Monks from the Drepung Loseling Monastery. All lectures will be held in the Memorial Union Lecture Bowl. Lectures are open to the University community with limited seats available. Lectures scheduled include: "The Ancient Art of Healing: The Tibetan Buddhist Approach," Monday, Oct. 2, 9 a.m., co-hosted with Anthropology; "Opening the Heart: Arousing the Mind of Universal Kindness, Wednesday, Oct. 4, 5 p.m., co-hosted with Philosophy and Religion; "The Psychology of Enlightenment," Thursday, Oct. 5, 10 a.m., co-hosted with Integrated Studies; "Meditation: A Tool for Conscious Living," Thursday, Oct. 5, 2 p.m., co-hosted with Integrated Studies. The lectures are funded and sponsored by the Multicultural Awareness Committee, a division of student government.

Other activities scheduled with the Tibetan Monks include Mandala Sand Painting at the North Dakota Museum of Art Oct. 2-6 and Sacred Music Sacred Dance performance at the Chester Fritz Auditorium, Tuesday, Oct 3, 7 p.m.

For more information, visit www.und.edu/org/stgov/mac.htm
or contact Sierra Abe at 701-880-8911 or sierra.abe@und.edu

-- Sierra Abe, Multicultural Awareness Committee, Standing Committee of Student Government,
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Multicultural Awareness Committee presents cultural week Oct. 2-6

The Multicultural Awareness Committee presents:

- * Mandala Sand Painting, Oct. 2-6, North Dakota Museum of Art; hours are Monday, noon to 7 p.m.; Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Friday, 10 to 11 a.m.
- * Opening Ceremony Monday, Oct. 2, at noon, North Dakota Museum of Art.
- * Sacred Music Sacred Dance, Tuesday, Oct. 3, 7 p.m., Chester Fritz Auditorium.
- * Closing Ceremony, Friday, Oct. 6, noon, North Dakota Museum of Art.
- * Everyone is invited to attend.

For more information, contact the Multicultural Awareness Committee, Division of Student Government at www.und.edu/org/stgov/mac.htm, Sierra Abe at (701) 880-8911, or sierra.abe@und.nodak.edu.

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Symphony season premieres Sept. 30

The Greater Grand Forks Symphony opens its 98th season, "New Worlds," under the baton of Maestro James Hannon Saturday, Sept. 30, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Oct. 1, at 2 p.m. at the Empire Arts Center. Hannon makes his debut as the Symphony's 11th music director and conductor following a two-year national search.

Hannon is the director of orchestral activities at Iowa State University, where he conducts the ISU Symphony Orchestra and teaches instrumental conducting. A native of Battle Creek, Mich., Hannon has degrees from Michigan State University, where he studied violin with I-Fu Wang and Lyman Bodman and string pedagogy with Judith Palac and from Southern Illinois University at Edwardsville.

The major work for the evening is Dvorak's New World Symphony. The Symphony No. 9, opus 95, "From the New World," was premiered in 1893 by the New York Philharmonic and remains one of the most popular symphonies in the modern repertory. The Czech composer wrote it during his visit to the United States from 1892 to 1895, and the lilting melodies reflect Dvorak's love of American folk music and African-American spirituals which are woven into the four parts of the work.

The program also includes a new work by composer Joan Tower called "Made in America." The work has an interesting and unusual history. In 2001 an entrepreneurial group of smaller-budget orchestra leaders were searching for a way to commission a nationally renowned composer. To pool their resources, they formed a unique consortium which eventually grew to include 65 orchestras, including the Greater Grand Forks Symphony and at least one from each of the 50 states. "Made in America" is the result of their efforts: it is the largest known orchestra consortium, creating a national network through which each participating orchestra has access to resources that would never be available to an orchestra of its size on its own. A filmed interview with the composer discussing the new work and the composing process will be shown at the Empire 30 minutes prior to Saturday and Sunday's performance.

Violinist John Gilbert will be the featured soloist for the evening, playing Sibelius' Violin Concerto, one of the greatest concertos in the violin repertoire. This is the only major work for solo instrument and orchestra that the Finnish composer wrote. One noteworthy feature is an extended virtuosic cadenza for the soloist in the first

movement. In fact, much of the violin writing is virtuosic, but even the most showy passages alternate with lyrical, melodic sections.

Gilbert is an active soloist, recitalist and chamber music collaborator. He regularly performs throughout the United States and recent seasons have included appearances as soloist in concerti of Brahms, Bruch, Mendelssohn, Sibelius, Kurt Weill, and Vivaldi, broadcasts on National Public Radio, and concerts throughout England, France, Iceland, Ireland, and Italy. In addition, he has presented master classes at the Royal Irish Academy of Music in Dublin, the Cork School of Music, and the Royal College of Music in London, England. Gilbert's principal studies were under the tutelage of Sally O'Reilly and Charles Castleman. He holds degrees from the University of Minnesota, the Yale University School of Music, and the Eastman School of Music.

Gilbert will arrive in Grand Forks several days in advance of the concert to conduct master classes and workshops for local students.

Tickets for the performance are available by calling 777-4090, or may be purchased at the door one hour prior to performance. General admission, \$18; seniors, \$16; students, \$5; and children 12 and under are free. Further information is available at www.ggfso.org.

-- Greater Grand Forks Symphony.

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Risk management webinar is Oct. 3

The Memorial Union, NASPA and ASJA will host an engaging live web cast discussion, "The Risks of Risk Management," Tuesday, Oct. 3, from 12:30 to 2:30 p.m. in the Badlands Room, Memorial Union. Please feel free to bring your lunch. If you plan to attend, please contact Cassie Gerhardt at 777-3667 or cassiegerhardt@mail.und.edu.

How do college and university administrators effectively manage risk without sacrificing our educational mission? What is the balance between advice from legal counsel and sound educational or administrative practice? How does risk management work in the area of civil rights and liberties? In light of the Shin case at MIT, are we attempting to minimize our "risk" by removing students who might have suicidal thoughts? Risk management is rapidly consuming an increasing amount of all our time. How prepared are we to manage risk and what are the "risks" of risk management? These complex issues confront student life administrators each day on college and university campuses.

Program Faculty

William Kaplin, professor of law, Catholic University of America, Distinguished Professorial Lecturer, Stetson Univ. College of Law; co-author of the recently released fourth edition of The Law of Higher Education (Jossey-Bass, 2006).

Gary Pavela teaches in the University of Maryland Honors Program and writes frequently on legal issues in Higher Education. He is the author of "Questions and Answers on College Student Suicide: A Law and Policy Perspective" (College Administration Publications, 2006).

The Webinar is sponsored by NASPA – National Association of Student Personnel Administrators and ASJA – Association of Student Judicial Affairs.

-- Cassie Gerhardt, Coordinator of Greek Life, Memorial Union, cassiegerhardt@mail.und.edu, 777-3667

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Backstage with the Arts premieres Sept. 30

The North Valley Arts Council (NoVAC) announces Backstage with Arts, a new program that offers arts audiences a behind-the-scenes look at a variety of arts events.

The first Backstage with the Arts program will be held in conjunction with the Greater Grand Forks Symphony Orchestra premiere performance of its 98th Season, "New Worlds," Saturday, Sept. 30, 6 p.m. at the Empire Arts Center. The Backstage with the Arts program will feature comments by James Hannon, music director; comments and illustrations by John Gilbert, guest violinist; and video-comment by Joan Tower, composer. Wine, provided by Happy Harry's Bottle Shops, and hors d'oeuvres will be served. Admission to Backstage with the Arts is free with the purchase of a ticket to the performance.

The concert immediately following features guest violist John Gilbert in his North Dakota debut. Gilbert will perform Sibelius' Violin Concerto in D minor, Op. 47, a twentieth-century masterpiece. Also in the program is Dvorak's New World Symphony, and the North Dakota premiere of Made in America by American composer Joan Tower.

Backstage with the Arts continues on Oct. 8 at 1 p.m. just prior to the premiere performance of the North Dakota Museum of Art Concert Series, Sergio Gallo & Zeynep Ucbasaran: Two Piano Recital. Gallo will discuss the intricacies of the two-piano recital that he will perform with Ucbasaran. On Oct. 24, Backstage with the Arts will be held just prior to the opening performance of Dames at Sea, presented by the UND Department of Theatre Arts at the Burtness Theatre. The program will include a discussion of the musicals that Dames at Sea spoofs. On Nov. r 2, Backstage with the Arts features a discussion with artist Adam Kemp at the opening reception his exhibit at the Third Street Gallery. Kemp will discuss his art-making process, and will perform live demonstrations.

All Backstage with the Arts program are free with the purchase of a ticket to the corresponding performance. Backstage with the Arts is made possible by a grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation to NoVAC, and with generous support from Happy Harry's Bottle Shops.

-- Nicole Derenne, Executive Director, North Valley Arts Council, nicole.derenne@novac.org, 777-6120

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Fighting Sioux Hockey is this weekend

Tickets are available for the women's and men's Fighting Sioux hockey games versus Manitoba this weekend. To purchase tickets stop by the UND/REA Box Office, or any Ticketmaster location, call 701.772.5151 or go online to www.ticketmaster.com. Don't miss the unveiling of the Biggest Promotion in Ralph Engelstad Arena history on Sunday night at the men's game. Subway Family 4 Packs are available for \$75.

-- Sommer Lockhart, Marketing Manager, Ralph Engelstad Arena, sommerl@theralph.com, 70833

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EHD Announces Alumni Achievement Awards

The College of Education and Human Development is honored to celebrate the success of four outstanding alumni during the Alumni Achievement Awards Banquet at 6 p.m. Friday, Oct. 6 at the Alerus Center. Those accepting the awards are Victoria (Knapp) Beard, '84, '93; Morley D. Glicken, '63; Steven P. Crandall, '84; and Jennifer J. Montgomery, '92, '94, '00. Tickets are \$13. To register please call Jena Pierce at 777-0844 by Oct. 2.

Victoria (Knapp) Beard is associate provost at UND. Formerly a professor of accounting, she also served as director of International Business Programs in the UND College of Business and Public Administration. She also played a key role in coordinating UND's exchange program with the University of Shanghai for Science and Technology's College of Management. She earned a master's degree in accountancy in 1984 and a doctorate in teaching and learning in 1993, both from UND. She is published nationally and internationally. She resides in

Grand Forks. The award is given by the Department of Educational Foundations and Research.

Morley D. Glicken is the executive director of the Institute for Personal Growth, A Research and Training Cooperative, and Professor Emeritus in Social Work at California State University, San Bernardino. He is a former Dean of the Worden School of Social Service in San Antonio, and a nationally known author, teacher, administrator, and therapist. He has written over nine books, including Lessons for Therapists From Resilient People, Remembering Zion, and Ending the Sex Wars: A Woman's Guide to Understanding Men. He received a bachelor's degree in social work from UND in 1963. He resides in Los Angeles. The award is given by the Department of Social Work.

Jennifer J. Montgomery is a highly regarded high school teacher, most recently teaching in Bismarck, N.D. She received a bachelor's degree in arts in 1992 and a bachelor's degree in education in 1994, and a master's degree in education in 2000, all from UND. Currently she has completed the first year of doctoral studies at the Harvard Graduate School of Education. She will finish a master's degree in education policy from Harvard in 2007 and will continue working on her doctorate in education policy, leadership, and instructional practice. Jennifer was the North Dakota Teacher of the Year in 2003, and one of four finalists for National Teacher of the Year. She also received the Milken National Educator Award in 2001, and she received the NEA Foundation National Award for Teaching Excellence in 2004. Jennifer resides in Cambridge, Mass. The award is given by the Department of Teaching and Learning.

Steven P. Crandall is the park manager of Turtle River State Park and has worked in the North Dakota Parks and Recreation Department for over 25 years, including management positions at Lewis and Clark State Park and Lake Metigoshe State Park. He received a bachelor's degree from UND in 1984. He is a long-time member of the UND Recreation and Leisure Services program advisory board and has remained a valuable resource for the program. He lives in Arvilla, N.D. The award is given by Recreation and Leisure Services, a program within the Department of Counseling.

The UND College of Education and Human Development has 1,500 undergraduate and graduate students in six departments including Counseling, Educational Foundations and Research, Educational Leadership, Physical Education and Exercise Science, Social Work, and Teaching and Learning. The mission is fostering healthy human development and learning across the lifespan. The departments employ multi-faceted approaches to education, relying on teaching, research and service in the education of students.

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Ibiza Night is Sept. 29 in the Loading Dock

Ibiza, an island off the coast of Spain, is known as one of the biggest party islands ever. With a majority of its tourism consisting of clubbers, the island provides Europe with the largest and best superclubs. The world's top DJs spin till the sun rises, bringing back the beautiful colors of the Mediterranean after a hard night of partying.

We might not be able to get tickets to visit, but the International Organization is proud to present DJ To Rule and DJ Swiff, bringing you the hottest dance tunes off the shores of Ibiza. Join us at the Loading Dock from 8 to 11 p.m. Friday Sept. 29, for delicious mocktails and groovy beach house.

-- Tugrul Saner, Events Coordinator, International Organization, tugrul@aero.und.edu, 701 740 8088

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University Senate lists agenda for Oct. 5 meeting

The University Senate will meet Thursday, Oct. 5, at 4:05 p.m. in Room 7, Gamble Hall.

AGENDA

- 1) Announcements

- 2) Minutes of the previous meeting and business arising from the minutes
- 3) Question period

CONSENT CALENDAR:

- 4) Annual Report of the Senate Committee on Committees, Claudia Routon, Chair, Senate Committee on Committees
- 5) Annual Report of the Senate Continuing Education, Distance Education & Outreach Committee, Paul Kucera, Chair, Senate Continuing Education, Distance Education & Outreach Committee
- 6) Annual Report of the Senate Faculty Instructional Development Committee, Jeffrey Weatherly, Chair, Senate Faculty Instructional Development Committee
- 7) Annual Report of the Senate University Assessment Committee, Renee Mabey, Chair, Senate University Assessment Committee

BUSINESS CALENDAR:

- 8) Curriculum Committee report, David Relling, Chair, Senate Curriculum Committee
 - 9) Institutional Statement on Diversity and Pluralism, Jan Moen, UND Diversity Advisory Committee
 - 10) Proposed changes to the repeat policy, Tom Rand, Chair, Academic Policies Committee
 - 11) Senate Scholarly Activities Committee Project Funding, Bishu Bandyopadhyay, Chair, Senate Scholarly Activities Committee
- Suzanne Anderson, Secretary, University Senate.
- Lori Hofland, Administrative Assistant, Registrars Office, lorihofland@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3892

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Shop for a Cure comes to Barnes & Noble at UND Bookstore

In support of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, Sept. 25 through Nov. 1, Barnes and Noble at UND is participating in the Shop for a Cure fundraising campaign. With Shop for a Cure, college bookstores across the country sell limited edition breast cancer awareness clothing and merchandise, with a portion of the profits going to the National Breast Cancer Coalition Fund (NBCCF). In addition to raising money for NBCCF, Shop for a Cure hopes to raise breast cancer awareness on college campuses.

"Breast cancer doesn't just affect women, it has an impact on entire families and communities," says Melissa Schmitt, director, Barnes & Noble College Booksellers. "We are delighted to support the NBCCF in their fight against breast cancer and to help educate campus communities about this disease." Last year's Shop for a Cure campaign collectively raised over \$50,000.

For more information about Shop for a Cure and to purchase breast cancer awareness items, visit Barnes and Noble at UND. For additional information about breast cancer and what you can do to help, visit www.stopbreastcancer.org

-- Michelle Abernathey, General Manager, Barnes & Noble at UND, michelle_aberanthey@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-2103

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Moscow Ballet offers complimentary CD to employees

Get a complimentary soundtrack of Moscow Ballet's "Great Russian Nutcracker" with purchase of two tickets to the event. This Broadway-level spectacle features dazzling costumes, 50 all-star Russian cast, hand-painted sets, larger-than-life puppets, and breathtaking scenic design by Valentin Fedorov will be at the Chester Fritz Auditorium Thursday, Dec. 7, at 7:30 p.m. Moscow Ballet's "Great Russian Nutcracker" is beloved by audiences and praised by critics for its unique setting of Act Two in the "Land of Peace and Harmony."

- A "must see" production of 2006. Here's your chance to be a part of the magic.
- * Purchase at least two tickets within the three highest price levels for the performance.
 - * one complimentary CD per order
 - * While supplies last
 - * Offer not valid on previously purchased tickets.
 - * Your CD will be sent separately via the Moscow Ballet
 - * Please allow 4 to 6 weeks for your CD from the date of purchase
 - * This offer is only available for online orders

Visit <http://www.ticketmaster.com/promo/3f8212> and use the password MASHA to purchase tickets between Sept. 14 and Oct. 14.

-- Betty Allan, Director, Chester Fritz Auditorium, bettyallan@mail.und.edu, 7-2170

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U2 lists workshops

Below are U2 workshops for Oct. 3-11. Visit our web site for more.

Defensive Driving: Oct. 3, 6 to 10 p.m., 211 Skalicky Tech Incubator.

This workshop is required by state fleet for all UND employees who drive state vehicles on a regular (monthly) basis, received a traffic violation, or had an accident while operating a state vehicle. Employees are encouraged to bring a family member (spouse and/or dependents). This workshop may also reduce your North Dakota insurance premiums and could possibly remove points from your driving record. Presenter: Officer Dan Lund.

Turning Ideas Into Courses/Programs: Oct. 5, 3 to 4 p.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union. Prerequisites: An idea and willingness to work to fine tune it into a possible academic course or non-credit program.

Participants will explore the viability of a course/program idea by engaging in a needs analysis process to accurately analyze an idea's worth in the marketplace. Individuals will work through a process to take an idea and learn how to clarify it, and then develop it into a possible educational course or program. In addition, participants will learn about the Summer Programs and Events Council's mission and purpose of advocacy for "new credit" and "non-credit" programming. The shared results of the Summer Programs and Events Council Needs Assessment Surveys, will help participants look at the topics of high interest expressed by various student/participant groups. Finally, the basics of business planning process will be reviewed so that participants will understand the impact that good business practices have on course/program operational success. The workshop is sponsored by the UND Summer Programs and Events Council. Presenters: Kerry Kerber and Diane Hadden.

PeopleSoft Student Records Tips and Tricks: Oct. 9, 2:30 to 4:30 p.m., 211 Skalicky Tech Incubator. This workshop is intended for department secretaries and administrative assistants and other academic support staff. We will review procedures for waitlist processing and provide updates about progress on various projects and services. The second hour will be devoted to answering questions you might have about navigation or procedures. Presenters: Registrar's Office.

Keys to Successful Learning Outcomes-Based Workshops: Oct. 11, 18, and 25, 8 to 10 a.m., River Valley Room, Memorial Union. With the increasing urgency of assessing student learning outcomes being placed on student affairs and academic units, how much thought are we giving to the learning that takes place in the campus work environment? Each school year, students have access to hundreds of employment opportunities on our campus. But what is being done to prepare our staff to implement learning outcomes-based activity into the campus work environment? This presentation introduces a new approach to staff development and benefits staff members who supervise student employees, especially those in administrative, auxiliary and support positions.

Participants will better understand what a learning-outcomes based work environment is and how students can benefit from this type of setting. It also introduces coaching and mentoring techniques staff can use to help students learn and develop beyond the practical aspects of their jobs. The goal is to create a work environment for student employees that would move employment goals beyond job satisfaction to goals which support student learning.

Learning Objectives are (1) Gain a better understanding of what a learning-outcomes based work environment is and how students can benefit from this type of setting, and (2) Apply coaching and mentoring techniques to help student employees make connections between job tasks and learning outcomes. Presenter: Tony Trimarco.

How to Apply for a SPEC Mini-Grant: Oct. 11, 3 to 4 p.m., President's Room, Memorial Union. Interested in receiving a mini-grant to help cover the development, marketing and start-up costs for your 2007 summer course or program? Attend this informational session to learn how to apply for a mini-grant through the Summer Programs and Events Council's (SPEC) Start-Up Mini-Grant Program. This session will cover the basics of the SPEC Start-Up Mini-Grant Program Application and Request for Proposals. Presenter: Julie Bean.

Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by: Phone, 777-2128, e-mail, U2@mail.und.nodak.edu, or online www.conted.und.edu/U2/. Please include: (1) workshop title/date, (2) name, (3) department, (4) position, (5) box number, (6) phone number, (7) e-mail, and (8) how you first learned about this workshop? Thank you for registering in advance; it helps us plan for materials and number of seats.

-- Julie Sturges, Program Assistant, U2, U2@mail.und.edu, 777-2128

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

2007-08 developmental leave applications due Nov. 15

Eligible faculty and staff who wish to apply for developmental leave projects for the 2007-08 academic year may submit proposals to the faculty member's chair and dean or the staff member's administrative supervisor. Faculty and staff who expect to submit an application should discuss their plans with the appropriate supervisor(s) prior to formally submitting a proposal. Developmental leaves are funded from existing resources in the departments and colleges.

Developmental leave applications and copies of the State Board of Higher Education Policy 701.2 governing developmental leaves are available on the Office of Academic Affairs website, www.und.edu/dept/vpaa/acadaffr/AAForms.html.

Please consider the following before applying for a developmental leave:

- At least six years of regular service should have elapsed since one's initial appointment or since the last developmental leave.
- A final report addressing the outcomes of the previous leave must have been filed. These reports indicate the likelihood the candidate can successfully accomplish the proposed plan of work.
- A substantive tangible product is the ultimate expected outcome.
- The proposed project should not be the subject of an earlier developmental leave.
- The proposed project should benefit significantly from, or would not be possible without, the developmental leave.
- Developmental leaves to take place locally must clearly address the reasons why the proposed work could not be done elsewhere.

Preference will be given to proposals that:

- Involve significant travel elsewhere;

- Have some support (financial or otherwise) from another source (or institution).

Other guidelines:

- Normally, a maximum of two faculty per academic department may take leaves concurrently.
- Requests for one year of support should normally involve two consecutive semesters.
- Faculty who are on developmental leave should refrain from participating in departmental governance and on committees.
- Faculty planning to apply for a developmental leave should consult with the departmental chairperson and the dean of the college before submitting a proposal.

Applications will be reviewed at the college and/or administrative supervisory level. All proposals are due in the Office of the Vice President for Academic Affairs on or before Nov. 15. The applications will also be reviewed by the Council of Deans, the Provost, and the President. Final approval of the proposals must await the approval by the State Board of Higher Education of UND's 2007-08 salary budget. -- Greg Weisenstein, provost and vice president for academic affairs.

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Senate Scholarly Activities Committee lists application deadlines

The second deadline for submission of applications to the Senate Scholarly Activities Committee is Monday, Oct. 16. Only research/creative activity or publication applications will be considered. No other applications will be considered at that time.

PLEASE NOTE: Due to limited funding available for Senate Scholarly Activities Committee awards this year, the Committee will be making awards based on the following criteria: official notice of presentation (for travel applications), number of SSAC awards previously received by the applicant, and years at UND (new faculty and first-time applicants are given priority).

The third deadline for submission of applications is Tuesday, Jan. 16. Travel applications will be considered only for travel that will occur between Jan. 17 and May 1, 2007. No other applications will be considered at that time.

The fourth deadline for submission of applications is Thursday, Feb. 15, 2007. Research/creative activity and publication grant applications as well as applications for New Faculty Scholar Awards will be considered. No travel applications will be considered.

Tuesday, May 1, 2007, is the final deadline for submission of travel grant applications. This deadline is for travel occurring between May 2 and September 15, 2007. No other applications will be considered.

The committee reminds applicants to carefully prepare their proposals and be specific and realistic in their budget requests. The proposal should be written with a multidisciplinary readership in mind. Avoid technical jargon and undefined abbreviations. Although the SSAC encourages submission of research/creative activity proposals and travel/publication requests, the Committee takes into consideration the most recent SSAC awards granted to each applicant. Priority will be given to beginning faculty and first-time applicants. Requests for research/creative activity awards may not exceed \$2,500. The Committee receives requests for funding that far exceed funds available for awards; therefore, please prepare your application carefully.

Application forms are available at Research Development and Compliance (RD&C), Room 105 Twamley Hall, 777-4278, or on RD&C's Homepage (on UND's Homepage under "Research"). A properly signed original and

eleven copies of the application must be submitted to RD&C prior to or on the published deadline. Applications that are not prepared in accordance with the directions on the forms will not be considered by the Committee. Please feel free to contact any of the current SSAC members for information or guidance when preparing your application. Their names, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses are available on RD&C's Homepage or by calling RD&C at 7-4278.

-- B. P. Bandyopadhyay, Chair, Senate Scholarly Activities Committee, Mechanical Engineering,
bishu.bandyo@mail.und.nodak.edu, 701/777-4278

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Oct. 6 Denim Day proceeds will raise funds for breast cancer research

President Kupchella has approved UND's participation in Lee National Denim Day, the largest single-day fundraiser for breast cancer, Friday, Oct. 6. Since 1996, Lee National Denim Day has raised more than \$61 million. Wearing jeans isn't just comfortable, it's powerful. UND Denim Day is proud to support this event and the fight against breast cancer. The "standard contribution" for Lee National Denim Day is \$5, but we'll collect whatever you feel you can afford.

-- Patsy Nies, Special Project Assistant, Enrollment Services, patsynies@mail.und.nodak.edu, 777-3791

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Info sought on academic cooperation with Canada

The survey to get a record of exchanges, meetings, academic cooperation of all sorts with Canadian academics continues. Please let us know about your academic ties to Canada so our report to the Vice President for Academic Affairs will be as thorough as possible. Many reported in the Spring of 2006. If you did not report your academic ties to Canada please let us know about them this week. The Canadian Experience Task Force begins its fall series of meetings on October 6. Please send a description of your Canadian ties to virgil.benoit@und.nodak.edu. Thank you. -- Virgil Benoit, Languages.

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Midterm grade rosters available Oct. 5

Midterm grade rosters for fall 2006 will be available for entry of midterm deficiency grades by faculty Thursday, Oct. 5. Midterm deficiency grades for Fall 2006 must be recorded in PeopleSoft by noon on Friday, Oct. 13. At that point, the Registrar's Office will run a process to generate letters to all students for whom deficient grades are recorded (grades of D, F, or U). Any deficiency grades entered after that point will not be included in these notifications to students, and contacting those students becomes the responsibility of the course instructor.

Faculty must review every roster for midterm deficiencies, and change the roster status to "Ready For Review" and save it when they are finished with each roster. This status change signifies that the roster is "official" for midterm purposes. The status needs to be changed even when there are no deficiency grades to be recorded the class.

If faculty members can log in to PeopleSoft but cannot access a roster they are expecting to be able to update, they should contact Patty in the Registrar's Office at either 777-3422 or 777-2150. The cause usually has something to do with how the data is recorded in the PeopleSoft Schedule of Classes.

The instructions for midterm grading can also be accessed on the web at
<http://www.und.edu/dept/registrar/FacultyStaff/FacultyStaff.htm> .

-- Ray Pospisil, Assistant Registrar.

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Staff Senate has openings

Staff Senate has openings in service, technical, and trades areas. If you are interested in serving on Staff Senate, contact Gerry Nies, Elections Committee, 777-3827.

-- Gerry Nies, Disability Support Services.

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Phi Beta Kappa members sought

Members of the UND faculty and staff who, while students here or elsewhere, were elected to membership and were initiated into Phi Beta Kappa are asked to identify themselves to the UND chapter so they may participate in its affairs. Please inform me by phone at 777-4085 or by e-mail at ellen_erickson@und.nodak.edu. The UND chapter of Phi Beta Kappa soon will begin its activities for the year. Initiations will again occur in early December and April. Please watch for further announcements.

-- Ellen Erickson, Assistant Provost and Secretary-Treasurer, UND Chapter of Phi Beta Kappa.

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Mini-grants available for summer courses, programs

Are you planning an event at UND next summer but lack funding? Do you plan to develop a new summer course but need financial resources? Consider applying for a Mini-Grant through the Summer Programs and Events Council (SPEC).

SPEC's Start-Up Mini-Grant Program will fund deserving proposals for:

1. Expansion of existing 2007 credit or non-credit summer courses/programs.
2. Redesign of existing 2007 credit or non-credit summer courses/programs.
3. Development of new 2007 credit or non-credit summer courses/programs.

Through the Mini-Grant Program, the Council wants to create positive learning experiences for the citizens of the Red River Valley Region and beyond by extending the resources of the university. The Mini-Grant funds will help cover the development, marketing and start-up costs for courses and programs held at UND during the summer months. Examples include camps for kids, academic classes that can be completed in the summer months, or any special event designed for the community. Quality, creativity and "out of the box" ideas are encouraged when developing new programs.

All interested UND faculty and staff are encouraged to submit proposals. Information can be found at www.summer.und.edu. The application deadline is 4:30 p.m., Friday, Nov. 17, 2006. Recipients will be announced Dec. 19, 2006.

For individuals interested in covering the basics of the application and RFP process, an informational meeting session will be held Wednesday, Oct. 11, from 3 – 4 p.m., in the President's Room of the Memorial Union. Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by: Phone 777-2128, Email U2@mail.und.nodak.edu, or Online www.conted.und.edu/U2/.

In conjunction with the Mini-Grant Program, SPEC is also offering the workshop Turning Ideas Into Courses/Programs on Thursday, Oct. 5, from 3 – 4 p.m., in the River Valley Room, Memorial Union. Please reserve your seat by registering with U2 by: Phone 777-2128, Email U2@mail.und.nodak.edu, or Online www.conted.und.edu/U2/.

For more information on the Mini-Grant program, contact: Diane Hadden, Director of Summer Sessions (credit activities), 777-6284, dianehadden@mail.und.edu or Dr. Kerry Kerber, Associate Dean Continuing Education (non-credit activities), 777-4264, kerrykerber@mail.und.edu. For operational questions, contact the Summer Events Office at 777-0841.

-- Julie Bean, Summer Events Program Specialist, Division of Continuing Education, juliebean@mail.und.edu, 701-777-0441

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Museum of Art Cafe specials are made fresh daily

September 29 – Entrée: German Schnitzle or Steamed Fish Curry, Soup: French Onion

October 2 – Entrée: Pepperoni Pita or Hot Beef, Soup: Corn Chowder

October 3 – Entrée: Museum Club or Caribbean Fruit Salad, Soup: Chicken Tortilla

October 4 – Entrée: Greek Pita Pizza or Dagwood Sandwich, Soup: Fresh Tomato

October 5 – Entrée: Indian Lamb Curry or Eggplant Wrap, Soup: Cretan Vegetable

October 6 – Entrée: Caprese Panini or Greek Salad, Soup: Udon Noodle

The Museum Café and Coffee Shop, located in the lower level of the Museum, serves a full luncheon menu from 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Coffee is available from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Take-out available, UND billing accepted, conference room available for luncheons. We also cater weekend and evening events, 777-4195

Visit the Museum Cafe online at <http://www.ndmoa.com/cafe.html>

-- Connie, Hulst, North Dakota Museum of Art, chulst@ndmoa.com, 777-4195

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IN THE NEWS

Pediatrics receives grant to conduct genetics conference

The Department of Pediatrics has received a \$10,000 grant from the Dakota Medical Foundation to conduct a conference on genetics and health care next spring in Fargo. The grant will be used to organize and present the conference, "Hearing Hoofbeats and Thinking Zebras: Screening, Testing and Management of Children with Genetic Disorders," set for April 23-24 at the Fargo Ramada Inn.

Sponsored by the Division of Medical Genetics, part of the pediatrics department at the UND medical school, the event is intended for primary health care providers, especially family physicians, pediatricians, nurse practitioners and physician assistants. The focus will be on North Dakota's newborn screening program as well as the diagnosis, treatment and management of infants who have been identified as having Smith-Lemli-Opitz Syndrome (SLOS) or other metabolic disorders.

By law, every infant born in North Dakota is screened for 37 disorders, some of which "are difficult to treat and some must be treated quickly" to avoid sickness or death of the child or potentially serious, lifelong consequences, according to John Martsof, professor of pediatrics and director of the Division of Medical Genetics at the medical school. "It is important that front-line, primary care health providers know what to do if

they have a patient who's been detected with a disorder from the newborn screen," he said. "Proper emergency management of children with metabolic disorders is critical."

Martsof, North Dakota's only clinical geneticist, says conference participants will also explore "how the state's newborn screening program is working and how the follow-up has gone," he said. The event also will provide "a forum for discussion of the resources available in North Dakota for these children." The title of the conference, "Hearing Hoofbeats and Thinking Zebras," refers to the need for health care providers, when presented with common signs and symptoms, to think of the unusual or uncommon possibilities, Martsof said.

Organizers plan to offer continuing education credits for physicians, nurses, physician assistants, nurse practitioners and social workers who attend the conference.

For more information or to register, contact Jayne Brown in the Department of Pediatrics at 701-777-4276 or jbrown@medicine.nodak.edu .

The Dakota Medical Foundation, based in Fargo, focuses its efforts on improving access to medical and dental care. Since its inception in 1995, the Foundation has invested over \$26.5 million in more than 270 non-profit organizations to help them measurably improve health and access to health care. For more information, see www.dakmed.org .

-- Shelley Pohlman, Public Affairs, UND School of Medicine and Health Sciences,
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